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The Information of Richard Boxley *of* Oxford, *Barber, taken upon Oath the One and Thirtieth Day of* October, Anno Dom. 1716. *before* Richard Wiſe, *Eſq*; *Mayor, and Sir* Daniel Webb, *Knt. Two of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid City.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That laſt Night he was at a Neighbour's Houſe in the *Northgate-ſtreet* in *Oxford* aforeſaid, and hearing a great Noiſe of Breaking of Windows, he went out; and when he came into the Street he ſaw a great many Soldiers throwing Stones at the Windows of Mr. *Hurſt* the Ironmonger, being encouraged by an Officer of the Regiment, whoſe Name this Informant knoweth not; and after ſome time, a Gentleman, whom this Informant believes was the Major, ſaid to them, *Come in, Boys, and drink, and then go out and at it again*; and accordingly they did go in with him, and when they came out again, the Major, pointing to Mr. *Hurſt*'s Houſe, ſaid to the Soldiers, *Down with that Houſe, and I will ſee it out*; upon which they throw'd more Stones at Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows, and then went up the Street, and afterwards into the High-Street, breaking Windows all the way they went,

and afterwards came back te the *Star* for freſh Orders, as they pretended; and after they had ſtay'd there ſome little time, they went down the *Northgate-ſtreet*, and thro' the *North-gate*, breaking the Windows all the way they went, and beating ſome People.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, *Richard Boxley.*

Richard Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.

The Information of Thomas Coller *of* Oxford, *Cordwainer, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That he was laſt Night ſtanding by the Bonfire againſt the *Star-Inn* in this City, and there ſaw a great many Soldiers breaking Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows, and while they were about it, one of the Lieutenants, whoſe Name this Informant believes is *Hamilton*, came out and lighted his Pipe at the Bonfire, and all the while looking upon them; and when he had lighted his Pipe, he walked over into the Lane next Mr. *Hurſt*'s, and the Soldiers followed him; but what he ſaid to them this Informant knows not; but ſaid, That the Soldiers went immediately to gathering up of Stones, and then went up the Street, and down the High-Street, all the way breaking of Windows; And when they came near

Sir

Sir *Daniel Webb*'s Houſe, Sir *Daniel* overtook them, and ask'd them what they meant by making ſuch a Diſturbance? Whereupon they immediately fell a ſwearing and curſing, and ſeveral of them ſtruck him with their Sticks; and one *Foſty Magee*, a Corporal in the Colonel's Company (as this Informant is ſince told he is) drew his Sword, and held it againſt Sir *Daniel:* Whereupon this Informant told him Sir *Daniel* was a Juſtice of the Peace, and one of the Magiſtrates of the City: Upon which the ſaid *Magee* curs'd Sir *Daniel*, and ſaid, *He did not care what he was*; further ſaid, *He was a Rogue and a Raſcal.* After which, they went over to Mr. Mayor's, and broke his Windows; and when Mr. Mayor came out to demand the Reaſon, ſeveral of them, and particularly the ſaid *Magee*, came up to Mr. Mayor with their drawn Swords; and further ſaith, That Mr. Mayor went with his Mace, and accompany'd Sir *Daniel Webb* to the Major at the *Star-Inn*, to complain of the Diſorders by the Soldiers, and to deſire his Aſſiſtance; and as they came away from him this Informant heard the Major ſay, *Go to the Devil like a Parcel of* Jacobites, *or I will make you go.*

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno
ſupr. coram Nobis, *Thomas Coller.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.

The

The Information of John Hurſt, *jun. of* Oxford, *Iron-monger, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid, before the Rev.* John Baron, *D.D.* &c. *Vice-Chancellor of the Univerſity of* Oxford, *and other the Juſtices aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That when they were lighting the Bonfire, laſt Night, againſt the *Star-Inn*, he, this Informant, ſhut up his Father's Shop-Windows (the Houſe being over againſt the *Star*) and went in to his Work; and after a very little time, this Informant's Siſter ſaid, *She heard the Glaſs-Windows rattle*, which this Informant could not at firſt believe; but ſoon after this Informant heard it himſelf, and then went out to ſee who it was that broke the Windows; and when he came out, he ſaw the Major of the Regiment take up a Stone, and brake the Windows with it; upon which this Informant ſaid, Sir, *I will take a Note of your Name*; whereupon the Major drew his Sword, and ran after this Informant, and ſaid, *Damn you, will you take Notice of Names?* But this Informant ran into his Father's Houſe, and lock'd the Door before the Major could overtake him; but they ſtill continu'd to break the Windows, which, after ſome time, provok'd this Informant to go out again, and then he ſaw the Major throw a Fire-Stick from the Bonfire at his Father's Windows; and did at the

ſame

ſame time likewiſe ſee the Tapſter at the *Star-Inn*, and one *Edward Weſt*, the under-Tapſter, throw Fireſticks at, and broke the ſaid Windows; and further ſaith, they broke a great deal of *China*-Ware, and that one of the Fireſticks hung in the Window-Curtain, and that there was no Perſon in the Houſe beſides this Informant's Mother, his two Siſters, and himſelf, that Night; and that none of them were upon the Leads, or in the Spout, that Night.

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno ſupr. cora. nob. *John Hurſt*, jun.

Jo. Baron, *Vice Can.*
Rich. Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.

The Information of William Clark *of* Oxford, *Inn-holder, taken upon Oath the Thirty Firſt Day of* October, Annoq; Dom. 1716. *before the Rev.* John Baron, *D. D. and Vice-Chancellor of the Univerſity of* Oxford, Richard Wiſe, *Eſq*; *Mayor of the City of* Oxford, William Wright, *Eſq*; *Recorder of the ſame City, Sir* Daniel Webb, *Knt. and* James Pinnel, *Alderman, Five of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid City.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That laſt Night when the Bonefire was burning, againſt the *Star-Inn*, the Major of the Regiment came out of the ſaid Inn, with his Sword

Sword drawn, and ſeeing the Wife of Mr. *Hurſt*, the Iron-monger, at her Chamber-Window, he ſaid to her, *God Damn you for a Bitch, if you don't light up Candles, and let them remain, I will pull your Houſe down, and ſet it on Fire*; and then took up a Stone, and broke the Windows; and after that, one *Thomas Walker*, a Tapſter, at the ſaid *Star-Inn*, threw a Fireſtick at the ſaid Window: And further ſaith, That after the Soldiers had broke the Windows, about the Town, the Major came by this Informant's Houſe, and ſaid, *God Damn theſe* Jacobite-*Raſcals, we have made them ſuffer for it now.*

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno.
ſupr. coram nobis. *William Clark.*

John Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.
William Wright.

The Information of Thomas Wyatt, *taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That there being a great Diſturbance in the Town, by the Soldiers, laſt Night, and Mr. Vice-Chancellor being inform'd of it, he went out to prevent any further Diſturbance, and commanded this Informant to wait upon him with a Lanthorn and Candle; and when Mr. Vice-Chancellor came among the Elms, againſt

againſt St. *John*'s College, they heard a Piſtol diſcharg'd, and very ſoon after a great many Soldiers came up to Mr. Vice-Chancellor, and one of them ask'd him, *if he carry'd Fire-Arms?* upon which Mr. Vice-Chancellor told them, *he came to keep the Peace*, and oftentimes required them, in the King's Name, to go about their Buſineſs; but they continu'd Hooping and Hallowing, and one of them ſtruck the Lanthorn, in this Informant's Hand, with a great Stick, and very much bruiſed it, and beat out the Candle.

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno.
Supr. Coram Nobis, *Thomas Wyatt.*

John Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.
William Wright.

The Information of Thomas Langford, *of the Univerſity of* Oxford, *Cook, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That laſt Night he ſaw the Major of the Regiment, and Mr. *Baker* of *Wadham*-College, talking together, at the *Star-Inn-Gate* in *Oxford*, and the Soldiers gathered round them, with their Hats off, and after a little time the Soldiers ſhook their Hats over their Heads, and Huzza'd as they came from the Major, and Mr. *Baker*; but Mr. *Baker* follow'd them a

little Way, and pointing to ſome Houſe thereabouts, ſaid, *There be no Candles there, nor there be no Candles there*; and thereupon the Soldiers threw Stones at Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows, and then they went up the Street as far as the Conduit, and broke the Windows all the way up; and ſaith, that the Major, and Mr. *Baker* ſtood at the *Star-Gate*, all the while the Soldiers were breaking Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows; and further ſaith, that the ſaid Soldiers went from the Conduit as far as *All-Saint*'s-*Church*, and this Informant ſaw them break Mr. *Riblewhite*'s Windows as they went along.

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno.
Supr. Coram Nobis, *Thomas Langford.*

John Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Rich. Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.
William Wright.

The Information of Francis Berry *of the Univerſity of* Oxford, *Cook, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That while the Bonefire was burning, laſt Night, before the *Star-Inn*, the Major of the Regiment, and Mr. *Baker* of *Wadham*-College, were ſtanding at the Gate of the ſaid Inn, and this Informant ſaw Mr. *Baker* call ſeveral of the Soldiers to him, and clap'd them upon the Back; and as ſoon as they went from

from him, they fell to breaking Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows, the Major and *Mr. Baker* ſtill ſtanding at the Gate, and looking upon them: And this Informant likewiſe ſaw three Soldiers break *Mr. Cole*'s, the Glazier's, Windows, and ſaid, *Damn him, we will break his Windows, becauſe he is a Glazier, and can mend them himſelf.*

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno.
Supr. Coram Nobis, *Francis Berry.*

John Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Rich. Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.
William Wright.

The Information of George Peiſley, *jun. of* Oxford, *Baker, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That he was laſt Night at a Friend's Houſe in *Jeſus-Colledge Lane*, and hearing a great Noiſe in the Street, he went as far as the *Star-Inn*; and when he came there, he ſaw the Soldiers breaking Mr. *Hurſt*'s and Mr. *Cooper*'s Windows, and other Windows, all along the Street; and while they were about it, the Marquis of *Hartington* deſir'd the Major to call off his Men, for he fear'd it would make a Diſturbance: Whereupon the Major, as he came back, call'd them to him and bid them, *Come in and drink, and then at it again*;

and they very ſoon came out again, and the Major bid them *beſure to break all the Windows that had no Lights in them*, and repeated the ſame ſeveral times, and then they went down towards *North-Gate*, and broke the Windows as they went along.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, *George Peiſley*, jun.

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb,
William Wright.

The Information of Thomas Nichlas *of* Oxford, *Cutler, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That laſt Night he, this Informant, ſaw Twenty or Thirty Soldiers come down the High-ſtreet, breaking the Windows all the Way they came; and particularly this Informant ſaith, that he ſaw one *Thomas Heritage*, a Soldier, break the Windows of Mr. *Thomas Ledwell*, the Younger, with a Faggot-ſtick he carry'd in his Hand.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, *Thomas Nichlas.*

John Baron, *Vice Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb,
William Wright,

The

The Information of Thomas Vicaris *of* Oxford, *Salter, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That Yeſterday the Major of the Regiment and one of the Captains, accidentally met near this Informant's Brother's Houſe, he this Informant then ſtanding at the Door, and the Captain ask'd the Major, *Where he was going ſo early with his Boots on?* the Major ſaid, *He was willing to be in a readineſs, and that he would break every Window that Night, by God:* Upon which, the Captain ask'd, *Why?* and he ſaid, *becauſe never a Bell had ſtir'd that Day*; and then they parted. And further ſaith, That about an Hour after, the Major and another Officer came down the Street together, and as they paſs'd by, the Major ſaid, *The City is maintain'd by the Univerſity, and 'tis their Faults the Bells did not Ring, and by God I will break every College-Window this Night.*

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis,
John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.
William Wright.

Thomas Vicaris.

The Information of John Gillett *of* Oxford, *Labourer, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That laſt Night he was at the *Croſs-Inn*, and Mrs. *Gyles* who

who kept the Houſe, hearing a Noiſe in the Street of breaking Windows, ſhe went to the Gate with a Candle in her Hand, and ſaid to the Soldiers, *Pray, Gentlemen, don't break my Windows: Good Gentlemen, don't break my Windows.* Upon which, one *Charter*, a Corporal in the Major's Company, ſaid, *God damn you for an old Bitch*; and ſtruck the Candle out of her Hand with a great Stick, and then ſtruck her upon the left Arm in ſuch a violent manner, that he almoſt beat her down.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. corum nobis, *John* O *Gillett his Mark.*

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
William Wright.

The Information of Francis Brathwaite, *Servant to Mrs.* Gyles, *at the* Croſs *in* Oxford, *taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That the before-written Information of *John Gillet* is true.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. corum nobis, *Fran. Brathwaite.*

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
William Wright.

The

The Information of Stoughton Bird *of* Baliol-College *in the Univerſity of* Oxford, *Batchelor of Arts, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That a Bonefire being made, laſt Night, againſt the *Star-Inn*, he happened to be near the Place; and ſoon after the Bonefire was lighted, he ſaw Mr. *Ingram* and Mr. *Sayer* of *Oriell*, and Mr. *Gilbert* of *Merton*, come out of the *Star-Inn* with Glaſſes in their Hands, and drank Healths, but what Health they drank this Informant could not hear; and this Informant ſaw an Officer whoſe Name is *Hamilton* (as this Informant hath ſince heard) break Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows; whereupon the Son or Servant of Mr. *Hurſt* came out and ask'd, *What they meant by it?* or to that Effect: Upon which, the ſaid Officer run at him with his Sword drawn, and the other Perſon run from him, and got into the Houſe and faſtened the Door before the Officer could come up to him, but the Officer came at him with that Violence, that he ſtruck his Sword in the Door and bent it, and after that went to a Gownſman, with his Sword in his Hand, and kick'd him.

Capt. & Jur. & die & Anno Supr. coram nobis,
John Baron, *Vice Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
William Wright.

Stoughton Bird.

The

The Information of Eleanor, *the Wife of* Richard Brudenell, *taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That as ſhe was ſitting in her Kitchin laſt Night, ſhe heard a great Noiſe in the Street, and going out to ſee what was the matter, ſhe was met at the Door by ſeveral Soldiers; and ſhe ask'd them what they meant? upon which they ſwore and curs'd at her, and broke her Windows very much; and one *Foſty Magee*, a Corporal, ſtruck this Informant with his Stick upon her Arm and her Face: And being ask'd by one of the Soldiers what they meant by breaking of Windows, and doing as they did? ſeveral of them ſaid, they had the Major's Order for what they did.

Capt. & Jur. die & An. ſupr. coram nobis, *Eleanor* ℨ *Brudenell,* Her Mark.

Jo. Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
William Wright.

The Information of Edward Coſens *of* Oxford, *Chandler, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That as he was ſtanding at his Mother's Door laſt Night between Eight and Nine of the Clock, he

he ſaw a great Number of Soldiers come down the Street, and breaking of Windows all the way they came; and when they came to this Informant, a Corporal, who led them up, ſaid to the reſt of them, *Gentlemen, break theſe Windows:* Upon which this Informant ask'd, *Why will you break the Windows?* Whereupon the Corporal ask'd this Informant who he was? and he told him, *He was Maſter of the Houſe:* Upon whieh he ſaid, *Then I will knock you down*; which he accordingly did with a Stick he brought with him; and after this Informant had got up again, he talk'd with them, and told them the great Hardſhip it was for People to have their Windows broke in ſuch manner, and ſuch like Talk; whereupon they went away, having only one Stone thrown at his Windows; and further ſaith, That as he was getting up, after he was knock'd down, a Soldier ſtruck at him with a drawn Sword, but did not hit him.

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno
ſupr. coram Nobis. *Edw. Coſens.*

Jo. Baron. *Vice-Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor*,
Daniel Webb,
William Wright.

The Information of William Rowland, *taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That laſt Night he ſaw a great many Soldiers breaking of Windows, and particularly he ſaw one *Thomas Wiblin*, a Soldier, break the Windows of Mr. *Smith* the Iron-monger, and when the ſaid Mr. *Smith* came out to ſee what was the matter, the ſaid *Wiblin* made an Offer to draw his Sword at him, but was prevented by another Soldier.

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis. *William Rowland*, His ϒ Mark.

Jo. Baron, *Vice Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor*,
Daniel Webb,
William Wright.

The Information of William Turner *of the City of* Oxford, *Chandler, taken upon Oath the Firſt Day of* November, Anno Dom. 1716. *before the Reverend* John Baron, *Doctor in Divinity and Vice-Chancellor of the Univerſity of* Oxon. Richard Wiſe, *Eſq*; *Mayor of the City*, *Sir* Daniel Webb, *Knt.* Henry White *and* James Pinnell, *Aldermen, Five of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid City.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That this Morning the Major of the Regiment and another Gentleman came down the High-Street toge-

together, and as they paſſed this Informant's Mother's Shop, he this Informant heard the Major ſay, *That if they did not put up Candles ſuch another Night, they ſhould break the Windows again*; or Words to that effect.

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, *William Turner.*

John Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Moyor,*
Daniel Webb,
Henry White.

The Information of William Croſier *of* Oxford, *Cork-cutter, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That as he was ſtanding laſt *Tueſday*-Night by the Bonfire againſt the *Star-Inn*, he heard the Major of the Regiment bid the Soldiers drive the *Jacobites* away from the Corner of the Lane againſt the Bonfire; and alſo bid them pull down the Corner-Houſe and the next Houſe to it, and *between the two Houſes they would find a Jacobite.*

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, *William* His O *Croſier,* Mark.

John Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
Henry White.

The Information of Chriſtopher Eling *of the City of* Oxford, *Cork-Cutter, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That laſt *Tueſday* Night he went in the Street, when Mr. Mayor, with the Mace carry'd before him, return'd to his own Houſe, after walking about the Town to diſperſe the Soldiers, which had been breaking of Windows; and when Mr. Mayor came to his own Door, this Informant ſaw ſome Soldiers preſent their Muskets towards him, and then fired them, and the Powder from one of the thuskets almoſt blinded this Informant for the preſent, and (as this Informant hath ſince heard) one of them ſhot a Bullet thro' the Mace-bearer's Hat as it was upon his Head.

Capt. & Jur. die & ann.
ſupr. coram nobis,
John Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
Henry White.

Chriſtopher (1) *Eling,*
His Mark.

The Information of Robert Winſtew *of* Oxford, *Barber, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That he ſaw the Major of the Regiment, laſt *Tueſday* Night, take a Stick from the Bonfire, and throw

throw it at ſome Windows in the Neighbourhood; and alſo heard him order the Soldiers to pull down Mr. *Hurſt*'s Houſe, and break all the Windows that had no Candles in them: And thereupon the Soldiers immediately went to work, and broke a great Number of Windows both in that Street and in the High-Street.

Capt. & Jur. Die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, *Robert Winſtew.*

John Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
Henry White.

The Information of John Beſt *of* Oxford, *Pipe-maker, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That laſt *Tueſday* Night he ſaw a great Number of Soldiers breaking Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows, among whom were two Soldiers that Quarter'd at the *Star-Inn*, one of which goes by the Name of *Mackrell*: And this Informant further ſaith, That he is very ſure the Windows of the Parlour of the ſaid Inn were broke a Month ago, in the ſame manner as they now are.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, John Beſt.

John Baron, *Vice Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
Henry White,

The

The Information of John Weſtly, *taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That he was ſtanding at Mr. Mayor's Door laſt *Tueſday*-Night, when the ſaid Mr. Mayor came back from his Walk after the Soldiers, who had been breaking of Windows about the Town, and when Mr. Mayor came to his own Door, he this Informant ſaw ſome Soldiers with Muſquets, and one of them order'd them to Fire; and as ſoon as he had ſo done, he fired his own Musket towards the Place where Mr. Mayor ſtood; and after that, three more of them fired the ſame way.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, John Weſtly.

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
Henry White.

The Information of John Lucas *of* Oxford, *Cutler, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That he was coming out of the *Sun-Inn* and going home, laſt *Tueſday*, juſt as Mr. Mayor came up Town to diſperſe the Soldiers that were were breaking

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ing of Windows, but was ſtop'd by a Conſtable, who charg'd this Informant to go along with and aſſiſt Mr. Mayor, which this Informant did accordingly: And when Mr. Mayor came back to his own Door, this Informant ſaw ſome Soldiers with Muskets, and ſome body ſaid *Pho, Pho.* Upon which, one of the Soldiers ſaid, *Damn you, what you mean by Pho, Pho?* and then preſented their Muskets towards the Place where Mr. Mayor was; and one of the Soldiers ſaid, *Damn you, Fire:* And immediately three or four of them did Fire: And this Informant hath ſince heard, that one of them ſhot the Mace-bearer thro' his Hat with a Bullet, as it was upon his Head: And further ſaith, That after they had fired, as aforeſaid, one of them ſaid, *Damn you, if that will not do, we will put in a Brace of Bullets.*

Capt. & Jar. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis,
John Baron, *Vice-Cam.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
Henry White.

John Lucas.

The Information of John Croſier, *taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That as he was ſhutting up his Maſter's Windows laſt *Tueſday*-Night, he heard a Noiſe of breaking of

of Windows; and turning about to ſee who they were, he ſaw ſeveral Soldiers throwing Stones at Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows, among whom was one *John Stockley*, a Soldier, and one *Edward Weſt*, the Under-Hoſtler at the *Star-Inn*; whereupon this Informant call'd to the ſaid *Weſt*, and bid him take care what he did, for a Note would be taken of his Name: Upon which, the Major of the Regiment drew his Sword, and run over towards this Informant, and ſaid, *God damn that Fellow, run him through:* but this Informant ran from him, and the Major follow'd him; and after the Major had left off his purſuit after this Informant, he ſaw two Scholars paſſing along the Street, and ſtruck one of them without any provocation at all.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, John Croſier.

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
Henry White.

The Information of John Pavier *of* Oxford, *Taylor, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That laſt *Tueſday* Night he ſaw a great Number of Soldiers, and one *Edward Weſt* an Hoſtler at the *Star-*

Star-Inn threw Stones and Fire-ſticks at Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows, the Major of the Regiment all the while looking on; and this Informant heard the Major ſay to the Soldiers, *God damn you, Boys, pull down the Houſe, I will ſee it out*; and ſaith, That one of the Soldier's Names is *John Stockley*: And further ſaith, That about nine of the Clock the ſame Night, a Corporal of the Major's Company, who lodgeth at one *Wooten*'s a Hempdreſſer, knock'd this Informant down without any provocation, or without ſaying any thing to him.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, John Pavier.

John Baron. *Vice-Canc.*
Robert Wiſe, *Mayor*,
Daniel Webb,
Henry White.

The Information of John Ives *of* Oxford, *Yeoman, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That this Morning he this Informant and Mr. *Green* the Glazier, and one Mrs. *Blower*, had ſome talk in relation to the Windows which were broke by the Soldiers laſt *Tueſday* Night, and while they were thus talking, the Major of the Regiment croſſed the Street to meet Mr. *Hawkins* the Adjutant, and juſt as they came to the Door where they were, he nodded his Head

towards Mr. *Hurſt*'s Houſe, and ſaid, *God damn you, I wiſh they had pull'd the Houſe down.*

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, John Ives.

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
Henry White.

The Information of Sir Daniel Webb, *Kt. one of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid City, taken upon Oath the 2d Day of* November, Anno Dom. 1716. *before the Reverend* John Baron, *D.D. Vice-Chancellor of the Univerſity of* Oxford, Richard Wiſe, *Eſq; Mayor of the City of* Oxford, William Wright, *Eſq; Recorder of the ſaid City, three of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid City.*

THis Informant ſaith, that as he was ſtanding at his Door laſt *Tueſday*-Morning, he ſaw the Major of the Regiment paſſing by, and this Informant (having heard the Major called at his Houſe about a Day or two before) told him he was ſorry he was not at Home when he called; to which he made no Anſwer, but ſaid, *no Bells ring*; and this Informant ſaid, *I have not heard any*; then the Major ſaid, *he would break the College Win-*

Windows at Night; and this Informant further ſaith, that a little after Eight of the Clock at Night of the ſame Day, this Informant being from Home, and hearing a great Noiſe and Diſturbance in the Street, haſten'd towards his own Houſe as faſt as he could, and when he came near Home, he ſaw ſome Soldiers, to the Number of 14 or 15, or thereabouts, and he asked them, what they meant by making ſuch a Diſturbance? upon which one of them ſtruck this Informant upon the Head with a Stick; and another draw'd his Sword in a great Paſſion, and puſh'd at this Informant; whereupon he told them he was a Juſtice of the Peace, and ſhould know ſome of them; then one of them took this Informant faſt hold by the Right-Arm, while another of them forc'd this Informant's Cane out of his Hand, and carried it away; and further ſaith, that his Head was hurt and bruiſed with Blows he receiv'd from them with Sticks.

Capt. and Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, *Daniel Webb.*

John Baron, *Vice Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor.*
William Wright.

The Information of Henry Silveſter *and* Richard Colton, *taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid, before the Juſtices aforeſaid, and Sir* Daniel Webb, *Kt.*

THeſe Informants ſay, that they were ſtanding at a Door laſt *Tueſday*-Morning, next to Sir *Daniel Webb*'s, when he and the Major of the Regiment were talking together, and heard the Major ask Sir *Daniel*, *why the Bells did not ring?* but they could not hear what Anſwer Sir *Daniel* made him; but heard the Major ſay further, *What! you are govern'd by the Colleges, and do what they would have you; they are a Parcel of diſaffected Rogues, and I will break their Windows for it at Night.*

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, Henry Silveſter. Richard Colton.

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.
William Wright.

The Information of Nathan Stoke, *of* Brazen-Noſe-*College*, *in the Univerſity of* Oxford, *Batchelor of Arts, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, that laſt *Tueſday*-Morning he, this Informant, and one Mr. *Thomas Harris*, of the ſame College with this

this Informant, were at *Hamilton*'s Coffee-Houſe in *Oxford*, when the Major of the Regiment came in Swearing and Curſing, and ſaid, *not a Bell ſtir'd this Morning*; whereupon this Informant asked the ſaid Mr. *Harris* what Day it was? but the Major hearing the Queſtion, anſwer'd, *it was the Prince's Birth-Day*, and ſaid, *it was the Diſaffection of the Governours, who were a Pack of Villains, which occaſion'd their not Ringing*; then this Informant ſaid, *they have a Ring of Bells at* Merton-*College, and I don't believe you think them Diſaffected*; and he ſaid *No, that was a good Honeſt College, and that the* Conſtitution-Club *knew it was the Prince's Birth-Day*; and ſo continu'd Swearing, that he would ſend Soldiers at Night to break the Windows of the Colleges; and repeated the ſame very often, and was in a very great Paſſion.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno
ſupr. coram nobis, *Nathan Stoke.*

John Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.
William Wright.

The Information of Thomas Harris, *of* Brazen-Noſe-*College*, *in the Univerſity of* Oxford, *Batchelor of Arts, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, that he hath heard the Information of Mr. *Nathan Stoke* read unto him, and that the Contents thereof are true.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, Tho. Harris.

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor*,
Daniel Webb,
William Wright.

The Information of William Smith, *of* Oxford, *Yeoman, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THis Informant ſaith, That laſt *Tueſday* Night he was ſtanding by the Bonfire at the *Star*, and ſaw the Soldiers break Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows all to Pieces; and when they had ſo done, they began to throw Stones at other People's Windows, and particularly Mr. *Cooper*'s the Barber; and ſome one that ſtood by ſaid, *It was pity to break them, for he was a poor Man*; whereupon the Major ask'd what he was? and Mr. *Wiſdome* the Cutler anſwer'd

ſwer'd, *He is not right*, or, *He is not a Whig*, but this Informant is not ſure which he ſaid: And then a Nobleman (who this Informant believes was the Marquis of *Hartington*) deſired the Major to call the Soldiers away, otherwiſe it would make a great Diſturbance in the Town; upon which the Major call'd them to him, and bid them come in and Drink; and when they came into the Back-ſide of the *Star-Inn*, ſeveral Perſons ſaid to them, *Come in and drink the King's Health Boys, and at it again*, and after that they broke more Windows in ſeveral parts of the Town.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, William Smith.

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe,
Daniel Webb,
William Wright.

The Information of Thomas Shepcott, *a Corporal in the Major's Company, taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That he was upon the Guard laſt *Tueſday*-Night, and that about Nine of the Clock at Night this Informant was ordered by the Captain of the Guard to go about the Town with Four Soldiers, with their Bayonets ſcrewed upon their

their Muskets, and if he met with any Soldiers, he was to ſend them to the Guard, or to their Quarters: And if he ſaw any Townſmen making any Diſturbance, he was to deſire them to go about their Buſineſs; and as this Informant was coming up the High-Street with his Soldiers, he ſaw a great Number of People attending Mr. Mayor about his own Door, and this Informant bid them *Good-night*, and paſs'd by them; after which ſomebody ſaid one of the Soldiers ſwore, and ſeveral ran after them to ſee who it was that did ſwear; whereupon one of the Soldiers turn'd about, and fired his Piece, and very ſoon after two others fired alſo; and when this Informant enquired into the meaning of it, one of them ſaid, *Somebody attempted to take away his Piece.*

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, Tho. Shepcott.

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Richard Wiſe, *Mayor,*
Daniel Webb,
William Wright.

The Information of Richard Wiſe, *Eſq; Mayor of the City aforeſaid, taken upon Oath the Second Day of* November, Anno Dom. 1716. *before the Reverend* John Baron, *Doctor of Divinity, and Vice-Chancellor of the Univerſity of* Oxon. *and Sir* Daniel Webb, *Knt. Two of His Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace of the ſaid City.*

THIS Informant being told laſt *Tueſday*, between Eight and Nine of the Clock at Night, That the Soldiers were got together in great Numbers, and breaking the Windows about the Town, he this Informant immediately went out to endeavour to ſuppreſs them, and when he came to his Door he ſaw about Fifteen or Sixteen Soldiers breaking of Windows as faſt as they could, and their Swords drawn: This Informant call'd to them, and ask'd them what they meant by ſuch Diſorders? and told them, that unleſs they went immediately to their Quarters, he this Informant would ſend to their Colonel (meaning the Lieutenant-Colonel;) upon which they ſhook their Heads at this Informant, and went ſomething haſtily up the Street, but continued breaking the Windows as they went along: And then this Informant ſent to the Lieutenant-Colonel to deſire his Aſſiſtance to ſuppreſs ſuch

great Diſorders, and ſent for the Mace-bearer and ſome of the Conſtables to attend upon and aſſiſt this Informant in his Endeavours to quiet them; but they went ſo very faſt along, that this Informant could not overtake them: But they ſtill broke the Windows as they went along. Then this Informant went to the Major, who was at the *Star-Inn* with ſeveral other Officers of the Regiment, and deſired he would aſſiſt in this Matter; but he ſeem'd to be very indifferent, and ſaid, *If this Informant would tell him the Names of any of them, he would have them puniſhed*; and one of the Officers ask'd this Informant why he brought a Mob with him? (meaning the City-Officers and other Perſons who attended upon this Informant and Sir *Daniel Webb*) and ſaid, That by the Act of Parliament he ought not to have above Twelve with him. And this Informant went likewiſe to the Captain of the Guard, and deſired his Aſſiſtance, but met with as little Satisfaction from him as from the Major; but as this Informant was coming away, he ſaid, *He would ſend out a Patrole.* Then this Informant went to the Lieutenant-Colonel, and deſired he would do ſomething in it, for it was then getting to ſuch a Head, that it was hard to gueſs where it would end: But he then told this Informant, *That he had ſent ſuch Orders to the Major which he thought would be effectual*, or to that purpoſe;

and

and ſoon after that they were quieted. But as this Informant was coming home, he met with ſome Soldiers near his own Houſe, and asking what they were? they ſaid, *They were the Patrole.* Then this Informant deſired they would aſſiſt in quieting the Diſturbance, which they promiſed to do: But by that time they had gone about 5 or 6 Yards from this Informant, he heard ſome Noiſe, and turning about to ſee what was the Matter, firſt one of them, and then two more fired their Muskets, and one of them ſhot the Mace-bearer, (who was then attending upon this Informant with his Mace) through the Brims and Crown of his Hat, which was then upon his Head, and he ſtanding very near this Informant.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, Richard Wiſe.

John Baron, *Vice-Canc.*
Daniel Webb.

The Information of John Moulden, *Mace-Bearer of the City of* Oxford, *taken upon Oath the Day and Year aforeſaid, before the Juſtices aforeſaid, and* Richard Wiſe, *Eſq; Mayor.*

THIS Informant ſaith, That between Eight and Nine of the Clock laſt *Tueſday*-Night, having heard the Soldiers were breaking Windows, he went immediately into the Street, and when he came to *Carfax*, he ſaw abundance of Soldiers breaking of Windows in the High-ſtreet, all the while Hallowing, and making a great Noiſe; and there meeting with the Town-Clerk, this Informant and he went to the Captain of the Guard (who was then ſtanding at *Carfax* ſmoaking a Pipe of Tobacco) and deſir'd him to appoint a Party of his Guards to ſtop the Outrage of the Soldiers; but he ſeem'd to be in a Conſternation, and ask'd, *what he would have him to do?* and then this Informant being told Mr. Mayor wanted to ſpeak with him, he immediately waited upon him, and by his Commands carry'd the Mace before him about the Town, in order to Suppreſs the Diſturbance, being attended by the Conſtables and others: They went to the Major at the *Star-Inn*, where he was in Company with ſeveral other Officers of the Regiment; and Mr. Mayor deſired his Aſſiſtance to ſtop the Violence of the

the Soldiers, and from thence went to the Lieutenant-Colonel, and desired the same of him, who answered, *he had heard of it, and had just wrote to the Major to that purpose*; after which Mr. Mayor went about the Streets again, desiring all he met with to go quietly home; and by that time Mr. Mayor came to *Carfax* all Things were pretty quiet, and then Mr. Mayor went Home; but just as he came to his own Door he met some Soldiers, one of which said, *they were the Patrole, and that they had been sending the Soldiers into their Quarters*; but when they had gone a little distance from Mr. Mayor they turned again, but upon what Occasion the Informant knows not; and one of them fired his Musket, and very soon after two others of them fired, and one of them shot this Informant through the Brims and Crown of his Hat, which was then upon his Head, as he attended Mr. Mayor with the Mace.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno supr. coram nobis,

John Moulden.

John Baron, *Vice-Can.*
Richard Wise, *Mayor.*
Daniel Webb.

The Information of Richard Brown, *of* Oxford, *Barber, and* William Parker, *of the ſame, Inn-holder, taken upon Oath the* 2d *Day of* November, Anno Dom. 171[illegible] *before* Richard Wiſe, *Eſq; Mayor, and* Sir Daniel Webb, *Kt. two of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the ſaid City.*

THeſe Informants ſay, that as ſoon as the Bonfire was lighted againſt the *Star* the laſt *Tueſday* Night, the Major of the Regiment came out of the ſaid Inn, and ſaid to the Soldiers that were in the Street, *Break not One but All: Pull down the Houſe, and I will anſwer it*: and thereupon they immediately began breaking Mr. *Hurſt*'s Windows.

Capt. & Jur. die & Anno ſupr. coram nobis, Richard Brown, William Baker.

Richard Wiſe, *Mayor*,
Daniel Webb.

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